

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) **TRANSMITTAL**

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000,

| ovides for continued examination of an utility or plant applicatio |
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| filed on or after June 8, 1995. |
| See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1000 (AIDA) |

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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR § 1.114 of the above-identified application entitled SYNTHETIC NUCLEIC ACID MOLECULE COMPOSITIONS AND METHODS OF PREPARATION.

Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

- Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on . 1.
- 2. Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on .
- 3. <u>X</u> Amendment & Response Under 37 CFR § 1.116 (25 pages) is enclosed.
- 4. New power of attorney (pages) is enclosed.
- 5. X Information Disclosure Statement is enclosed (2 pages), with:
 - Form 1449 (1 pages)
 - Copies of IDS Citations (4) b.
- 6. <u>X</u> Authorization to charge to Deposit Account No. 19-0743 in the amount of \$790.00 to pay the RCE filing fee required under C.F.R. § 1.17(e).
- 7. X The Commissioner is hereby authorized to credit overpayments or charge any fees set forth in 37 CFR §§ 1.16 through 1.18 to Deposit Account No. 19-0743.
- 8. X Petition for Extension of Time in the prior application (1 page) is enclosed along with authorization to charge to Deposit Account No. 19-0743 in the amount of \$1020.00.00 to pay the extension fee.
- 9. X Others: Abstracts for Stapleton et al., Bouthors et al., Sirot et al. and Voladri et al. (6 pgs.).

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CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 CFR 1.8: The undersigned hereby certifies that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail, in an envelope addressed to: Attn-Mail Stop RCE, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on this 2200 play of September, 2005.

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